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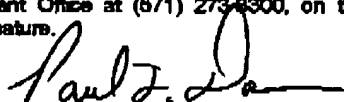
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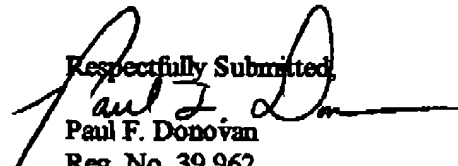
**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2006. It is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be amended and allowed in accordance with the arguments set forth below. No extension of time in which to file a response is believed necessary. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required as set forth below. No additional claim fee is due. However, please debit any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 09-0025 as may be required in connection with the submission of this Amendment. IN NO EVENT CAN THE ISSUE FEE BE CHARGED TO THE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.

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